

BASEBALL NATIONALS WILL LEAVE TRACK RICHMOND INDOOR MEET RACING SPORT OF KINGS IS NEARING COLLAPSE.

CANTILLON IS DUE IN CHICAGO TO-DAY

Not One of Nationals Showed Up Sunday.

KAHOE TO ACCOMPANY THEM

Vanguard of Washington Club Expected to Arrive in Windy City Bright and Early This Morning. Start for Galveston To-night. Coast Contingent May Go Direct.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Joe Cantillon's homeless ball players are wandering about Chicago to-night in search of their leader. They have no regular hang-out, but it was said at the home of M. E. Cantillon, brother of the boss of the Washington club, that a reunion will be held to-morrow morning at 6 Wells street, where the sleeping car tickets will be handed out.

Joe had failed to put in an appearance up to 10 o'clock to-night, although it was said at the home of his mother, 22 Buena terrace, that he was expected to arrive at almost any moment.

Although a rigid search has been made in an effort to locate some of the Washington players, Olie Pickering was the only one that could be found that even resembled a National.

"Pick" is waiting around to have a word with Cantillon when he shows up on the subject of his return to the minors. Although Olie is somewhat plucked over his transfer to Minneapolis, he expects to make the best of things, and it is not expected that any harsh words will be exchanged when he meets the boss.

Evidently the Nationals, who are to leave with Manager Joe to-night, have timed the departure from their homes so as to arrive in Chicago on the exact day of starting, for, according to dispatches from The Washington Herald's Chicago man, the only members of the Nationals in Chicago to date are Tom Hughes, Mike Kahoe, Bert Kewley, and Jim Delehanty. It has also been reported that Delehanty is on his way to Cleveland for a brief visit with his family. This, however, seems unlikely, as Delehanty is anxious to have a talk with Manager Joe regarding the salary question.

The Washington contingent from the Coast, Freeman, Johnson, Burns, Blankenship, and the new twirlers, Gray and Groom, may go straight to Galveston instead of to Chicago. That leaves Bob Gentry, Bill Shipke, Charles Street, McBride, Milan, Witherup, Smith, and Unglaub unaccounted for.

Olie Clymer is already in Galveston. Street and Milan, according to reports, are in the South, and will probably go direct to the training camp, while Shipke lives in St. Louis, Unglaub in Williamsport, Pa.; Gentry in Lowell, Mass., and Witherup in Kentucky. These last named will probably show up in the Windy City some time to-day.

It is thought that Mike Kahoe will be taken along for spring practice, to help try out the new pitching material. Cantillon said last winter that he could use the veteran to good advantage down in Texas, and will probably do so.

A dispatch from Galveston last night says that Jack Boss, a semi-pro pitcher from California, has reported for a try-out with Washington. Boss is a big, husky right-hander, with good speed and curves, and Olie Clymer has been credited with saying that the youngster has an even chance to make good.

Leaving Chicago to-night, according to the original schedule, the Nationals will arrive in Galveston late Thursday night or Friday morning.

At midnight last night The Washington Herald's Chicago representative sent the following dispatch:

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Nothing doing. Manager Cantillon, of the Washington club, has thus far failed to materialize, and so did the members of his squad.

So far as could be learned not a man showed up. There are divers telegrams and messages at Cantillon's old saloon for him, and some of the players—but none of the billets doux have been called for.

All that is known is that the squad is supposed to leave to-morrow night, but echo answers, when?

Women's Championship.

The women's national golf championship, slated for the Merion Cricket Club, has finally been dated for the week beginning October 4. The course at Haverford is generally in splendid condition at this time.

CORBETT LOOKS GOOD.

Seems Finely Trained for Bout with Johnny Marto.

New York, Feb. 28.—Many sporting men looked Young Corbett over at his Jerome avenue training quarters to-day, and went away well satisfied with his condition. He will make his first appearance here in many moons, when he meets Johnny Marto in a ten-round bout at the Fairmount Athletic Club, Tuesday night.

Marto is a hard hitter, and recently put up a plucky battle with the invincible Jim Driscoll.

AFTER CAPITAL SCALPS.

Champion Baltimore Basketball Team Wants Games.

Baltimore, Feb. 28.—The Garrett basketball team, of this city, who claim the 125-pound championship, would like to arrange games with some strong teams of Washington, to be played in Washington, the Nepons and the Terminal Railway Company preferred. Address R. Baldwin, 1240 Carroll street, Baltimore, Md.

Y. M. C. A. TO CONTROL

The Federal Indoor Games for Next Year.

ANNOUNCE NOVEL PROGRAMME

Date Already Set for February 19.

Management to Branch Out and Include Schoolboy Athletics from Boston and New York—Scholastic Events Set for Afternoon of Meet.

The following statement concerning the Federal indoor games for 1910 was issued last night by W. G. Stuart, manager of the games this year:

"The Federal indoor games for 1910 will be held under the auspices and control of the Washington Y. M. C. A. The arrangement of the programme and all other details connected with the actual management will be in the same hands as in previous years, with the co-operation of the physical department of the Y. M. C. A."

"Saturday, February 19, has been set as the date for holding the 1910 Federal games, and the Y. M. C. A. has already obtained a sanction from the Amateur Athletic Union for that date."

"There will be three sets of events next year, with a larger number of school and college athletes than heretofore, and a slightly different classification of relay teams. For the first time in the history of Southern indoor athletics the scholastic events will be held in the afternoon. "There will be more events for grade school and grammar school boys than in previous years, while the events for high and prep schools and academies will be for the Eastern interscholastic championship."

"Will include Boston."

"Invitations will be sent to all schools east of Pittsburgh and Buffalo, and as far north as Boston, with the intention of making the Federal scholastic games the most representative indoor school affair of its kind east of Chicago. A big silver trophy cup, to be known as the Franklin trophy, has been donated during the past week to be awarded the school winning the championship. It being necessary for one school to win each of the three times before securing permanent possession."

"In the evening, open handicap and invitation events will be held, with a number of college, school, and club relay races. Besides these there will be a series of events for the championship of the Eastern section of the Athletic League of North America, the National Y. M. C. A. organization."

"The Eastern section includes all associations in the States of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, and the District."

"Favorable Replies Sent In."

"The New York City, Buffalo, Albany, Brooklyn, Philadelphia Central, and Pittsburgh associations are especially strong in track and field work, and replies to informal invitations already received from the physical directors in these associations are to the effect that they will all be represented in the championship events in the Federal games next year."

"Every detail in connection with the 1910 games will be thoroughly and carefully worked out, very particular attention will be given to the selection of experienced officials, and the effort will be to make the games next year, under the auspices of such a powerful organization, notable for their influence in the greater general development of clean athletics, rather than for the competition of a number of star performers."



MIKE KAHOE.

HERE'S THE FIRST BIG GAME

American Leaguers Down Nationals in Initial Contest, 13 to 5.

Bill Donovan and Bob Ewing Are on the Rubber for Opposing Teams. Fans Swarm to Park.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 28.—Glorious weather marked the first Sunday exhibition game between National and American League stars. Stand and bleachers were thronged with fans from many cities.

"Wild Bill" Donovan and "Long Bob" Ewing were opposing pitchers until the fifth inning. They closed their first mound duel with honors even.

In the eighth inning, the Brooklyn pitcher, was hammered by American representatives for ten hits and nine runs. This settled it. The Americans won by the score of 13 to 5.

The Boston Americans arrived last night, and visited the new park to-day, which will be their training quarters for the next five weeks. They attended the game this afternoon in citizens' clothes, but to-morrow will start spring training. The score:

Nationals..... 0 0 0 3 0 2 0 6 5 5 3
Americans..... 0 2 1 0 1 0 9 9 3 13 21
Batteries—Ewing, Bell, and Noyes; Donovan, Froume, Barry, Kuyper, and Ryan. Umpires—Meyer, Rigler and Wenden.

SPORTING SIGHTS

By BILL BAILEY.

They're off for Galveston to-night.

Now for some real baseball dope.

The electric line will carry a big crowd over to Baltimore to-night for the Lowe-Burns scrap.

The Y. M. C. A. basketball team made a big hit in the Monumental City Saturday, and reported a rough night on the coast.

Our able assistant, who reported the Richmond College indoor meet, says that Richmond is the nearest approach to the promised land he ever struck; nothing but pretty girls and no policemen.

Jim Delehanty is having trouble with his eyes—can't see the figures on his 1909 contract.

About April 12 our reportorial staff will be out covering assignments in the vicinity of Seventh street and Florida avenue.

Manager Stallings now admits that he will transfer Shortstop Elberfeld, but it will be to third base, and not to the Washington club.

Spotlight says: "Philadelphia stands for two men like Ketchell and Papke meeting in a ring, but why should it tolerate such brutal bouts like the one held by Biddle and O'Brien last week? O'Brien presented a terrible sight, his cleft being badly disarranged at the finish."

Outfielder Will Moreland, who used to play with the Columbia Athletic Club, has been signed by the Lynchburg Virginia League team for the coming season.

Exit Big Stick. Enter Goliath Stick.

George Gray, the corpulent colored boy who is mascot for the Post-office team, has constituted himself as a committee of one to welcome the Pickaninnee Band of South Carolina, which will be in the parade on Thursday next. George says that the repertoire of the band consists of the two famous classical rhapsodies, "I've Got Chicken on the Brain" and "Carve dat 'Possum."

It is reported that President Roosevelt was influenced to not encroach on the English preserves in Africa by strenuous objection of his son Kermit. It seems that Kermit has not forgotten the painful experience in his days of "bread and butter," when he encroached on his mother's preserves.

Now that Mr. Roosevelt is about to leave the White House, he will ask Congress to pass a bill making it a rule that the salute of twenty-one guns for all future Presidents be fired from a Maxim noiseless gun.

Al Machler, of the Baegensburg duckpin quint, uses the "Jennings" system of signaling by employing a little red whistle. The only trouble with Al is that he wets his whistle too frequently.

Martin Wiegand, the energetic grand marshal of the German societies that will be a feature of the inaugural parade, is a disciple of simplicity. The Teutons under his direction will be clad in black clothes, and the only colors visible in their make-up will be American flags and a flush of enthusiasm.

NATIONALS' PILOT AND TWO OLD-TIMERS.



MANAGER JOE CANTILLON.

POTOMACS EXPLAIN DEFEAT

Manager Says His Relay Team Was Badly Crippled.

Asks for Another Chance, and Is Anxious to Take the Bloomington A. C.'s Measure.

Special to The Washington Herald.

In the Federal games, at Convention Hall, my senior relay team finished last in a four-cornered race. I feel that I am due for an explanation for such a poor showing.

At the last moment misfortunes began pouring in upon me, practically all the men I had intended to run being either disabled by sickness or detained by business. Only one of my original team ran, and his ankles were in such poor shape that he was forced to hop around the corner.

I admit the team I ran was completely outclassed, but it was not my best team by any means. For this reason, I ask the managers of the teams that defeated us, namely, the Bureau, Belmont, and Mercury Athletic Clubs, for another race in any one of the coming meets.

I am now communicating with Manager Hennig, of the latter club, and most likely a race between our clubs will be arranged for the coming Georgetown games. In case we do not get a chance against the other two clubs in these games, I am willing to match my team against both of them in the next meet held in this vicinity. I shall expect to hear from both teams in regard to this matter in the near future.

Another club we have continuously been after is the much-touted Bloomington A. C. Every time we meet one of their officials in regard to a race they offer a rather poor excuse and pull out of it.

I hope to run my team against them before the season closes. If they will contest us, we will agree to run them in any meet and at any distance. Thanking you for your kindness in publishing this article, I am, L. E. FOMMEFORD, 386 I street southwest.

Manager Potomac A. C. Track Team.

BASEBALL NOTES AND COMMENT

"Germany" Schaefer, of the Detroit, is said to have made but one hit against Eddie Joss in three years.

Sebring will help the Brooklyn outfield considerably. He is a good one on the bases and not bad with the stick.

Lumley, the new manager, wants to wangle some iron men that the Brooklyn team finishes in the first division.

It is said that even the Cleveland officials know the real name of Ed Foster, bought from the Charleston (S. C.) club last summer.

Little Rock can boast of the oldest battery in captivity in Bill Hart and Jack O'Connor. Cleveland can come second with Cy Young and Jim McGuire.

Pete Hustung, the old Boston American pitcher, who was with the Athletics later, will come to the game this year as an occasional pitcher for the Fond du Lac team.

The experiment of a baseball game by electric light in Cincinnati, April 11, when the Cincinnati Reds play the White Sox, will be watched with interest by fans all over the country.

Louisville has signed a pitcher named Frank Deanniere. How it is pronounced is guesswork, but he comes from the Independence (Kan.) team. He is claimed to be a promising youngster.

Jimmy McAleer is worried about Emmet Hedrick. He has neither shown up, nor has a word been heard from him, but McAleer still hopes that he will come back and regain his old form.

John Anderson has sprung a new one. He says he will not go on the training trip with the White Sox for the reason that they will spend so many nights in sleeping cars. Evidently Jawn thought he might be slated for an upper berth.

Speaker and Hooper, two slashing fine juveniles, have signed with the Boston Americans. Speaker made good last fall, when grabbed from Little Rock. Hooper was the Pacific Coast's star, and will probably be a regular. He hit .34 and stole 41 bases in 77 games.

Manager Griffith has given up all chance of securing a shortstop from the American League, and he is prepared to stand pat on his present line-up. Griffith had a talk with Frank Chance about a possible deal for one of his extra men, but could get no satisfaction, and does not expect anything to come from it.

VANQUISHED ATHLETES PETED

Virginia Track Stars Entertain Their Washington Rivals.

Festivities at Richmond Hotel Prove Fitting Climax of Big Indoor Track Meet.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 28.—Concurrent with the big meet at Richmond Saturday, the Virginia members of the University of Virginia team tendered a banquet to a large crowd of the visiting athletes. Several of the Georgetown and George Washington runners were in on the treat.

The festivities were begun at the Jefferson Hotel after the conclusion of the game, and it was not until the wee small hours of the morning that the athletes retired to their various lodgings.

Good fellowship and brilliant track performances seem paramount in the make-up of the Virginians, who, after sweeping everything before them during the games, immediately invited many of the vanquished opponents to join them in the best of the victors' hotel, and E. P. Burke, father of Burke, the crack short-distance man on the Virginia team, enjoyed the festivities along with the boys, and were the recipients of much praise.

There is but little doubt that the Virginia squad this year is one of the very best that has ever represented the Charlottesville university on the track.

"Pop" Lanigan, who directs the destinies of the victorious squad, and E. P. Burke, father of Burke, the crack short-distance man on the Virginia team, enjoyed the festivities along with the boys, and were the recipients of much praise.

RACING CARDS FOR TO-DAY.

Oakland.

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs.
Ace of Diamonds..... 128
Nosewhip King..... 128
Gypsy..... 128
Aplo Om..... 128
Schmoozer..... 128

SECOND RACE—Seven furlongs of a mile.
Jack Demerits..... 127
The King..... 127
Fireball..... 127
Nifty Nick..... 127
Harry Grotto..... 127

THIRD RACE—One mile and twenty yards; selling.
Woolen..... 129
Dollie Dollies..... 129
Nighting..... 129
Theodore..... 129
Sals..... 129

FOURTH RACE—Seven furlongs.
Early..... 129
Owen..... 129
Tommy Albarr..... 129
Charles Demerits..... 129

FIFTH RACE—One and one-quarter miles; selling.
Henry O..... 127
John..... 127
Prince of Orange..... 127
Loggie..... 127
Oscar..... 127

SIXTH RACE—One and one-quarter miles; selling.
The Mist..... 127
Cedric..... 127
Hawthorne..... 127
Tom Shaw..... 127
Anna May..... 127

Los Angeles.

FIRST RACE—Five furlongs.
Desnages..... 129
The Wolf..... 129
Sir Angus..... 129
Paul First..... 129
Theodore..... 129
Silvio..... 129

SECOND RACE—Three and one-half furlongs.
Charles Fox..... 127
John..... 127
Dare Do..... 127
The Wolf..... 127
Tom Lynch..... 127

THIRD RACE—One and one-half miles.
Pal..... 127
Ebon..... 127
Al..... 127
Clara..... 127
Clara..... 127

FOURTH RACE—One mile.
St. Darin..... 129
Al..... 129
Clara..... 129
Clara..... 129
Clara..... 129

FIFTH RACE—One and three-eighths miles.
Hawthorne..... 127
Raghu..... 127
Crack Shot..... 127
Tom Shaw..... 127
Guard..... 127

SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs.
Raymond Belle..... 129
The Wolf..... 129
Miss Nymel..... 129
Theodore..... 129
Silvio..... 129

SEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs.
Capt. Kennedy..... 127
John..... 127
Nelson..... 127
Romano..... 127
Singer..... 127
Work and Play..... 127
Mary F..... 127

JOE TURNER

World's Champion Wrestler. Announces that he has opened a Buffet for Ladies and Gentlemen at 602 Penna. Ave., and will be glad to meet his friends.



TOM HUGHES.

ROAST FOR JACK JOHNSON

"Tar Baby's" Action Likely to Cost Many Matches.

Australians Disgusted with Changes in Texas Fighter Since He Became Champion.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Jack Johnson's unbridled tongue may cost him all chance at the future big purses in Australia. This is the latest spattered over the cable from the land where there are more kangaroos than sparrows, and if it is true, Johnson has undone all of the work of Sam Fitzpatrick, who had planned to use his champion in a series of matches against men like Jeannette, McVey, Langford, and Morris Harris.

Johnson went to Australia, broke, humble, and unknown, and there he annexed the heavy-weight title by beating Tommy Burns, but he won in such a manner that the beaten man is a bigger favorite in Australia than was the winner of the Johnson-Burns bout.

Burns conceded every natural advantage to Johnson but reach, and he fought a gallant fight. The reports from Australia say that when Johnson had Burns helpless he cursed him, played with him, and made remarks to the crowd which did him no good. The American public will be further surprised to know that Burns had Johnson on the run at times.

Burns fought for the body, and as Johnson's body, Jack proved that he had no taste for blows to that region. "Burns is liked by the fight fans, and he will be matched here with whom he pleases, but it looks as though the authorities would not permit Johnson to fight here again, unless it is against Jeffries," is what an Australian paper has to say of the present holder of the big gun title.

There is no distance fighting in the East of America, the South and North have not the field for it, and the game is not too healthy in California, and the London Sporting Club will stand no nonsense. With this narrowing of the fields of his effort, Johnson had better lead the simple life.

DRISCOLL LAUDS AMERICANS.

Declares Yankees Are Best Sports in the World.

Jen Driscoll arrived in England on Saturday, and said in an interview that Americans are the most sportsmanlike people in the world. Driscoll will box for a charity at his home in Cardiff, Wales, this week, and will then take a rest.

He spent three months in this country, and in that time he collected more than \$17,000 as his share of ten bouts and ten street fights. Driscoll will box for a charity at his home in Cardiff, Wales, this week, and will then take a rest.

Yet with this sudden prosperity and a chance to enjoy more of it, Driscoll did not forget the little orphans at home, so he sailed away, passing up many lucrative engagements.

Too Significant.

These Spanish names in California puzzle me, but some of them have very interesting meanings," commented a guest of one of the hotels, says the San Francisco Chronicle.

"Yes," said the manager. "They do, for a fact; they really do. I am keeping track of a list in my notebook. But the funny thing was in Santa Barbara. Listen to this: 'India Muro' street, meaning 'dead Indian.' Ah, here it is, the one I was after, a street named 'Salspuedes.' Well, this street's the one that runs to the hospital up on the sloping hillside above the town. When they built the hospital, they were at a loss for a name. Some one suggested calling it after this street. And they did. Then they happened to look up the meaning of the word."

"And what does it mean?" asked the manager.

"'Salspuedes' was originally a street that wandered up and down through a series of ravines, and it means 'Get out if you can.' Good name for a jail, but not for a hospital."

Bearing the Market.

From the New York Weekly.

First Colored Belle—I see goin' ter make myself a new hat.

Second Colored Belle—I ain't no han' at trimmin' hats, but off you'll do me a favor. I kin get one cheap.

"What favor, honey?"

"You copy the new hat Mrs. Forthundered jes' got."

"Cause w'en she sees you wif a hat like hers, she'll frow here away," den my sister Clotilda, what is washin' day Mrs. Forthundered, kin git it foh me."

DEATH OF RACING IS NEAR AT HAND

Sport to End When California Meetings Close.

OPPOSITION HAS SUCCEEDED

Country Is Swept with Wave of Reform, and Little Hope for Future Is Left—The Situation at Benning, Louisiana Is Already in a Bad Way—Tracks Covered with Weeds.

With the death knell of racing sounded in California, it looks as if the sport is playing its farewell engagement in the United States. Horsemen throughout the country have been looking for the dropping of the curtain on the "sport of kings" for quite a while now, and are not looking for any encores from those manipulating it.

The drama now being played out in California may spell finish for the sport in a few days. The Pacific Coast has been considered the bulwark of the running turf for several years, and with that carried, little seems to remain for the turfmen. Kentucky is still holding the fort, but it looks a little rocky even in the blue grass region. Florida is boasting of a meeting, but the Everglade State is hardly likely to be able to conserve the sport and keep the bangtails in feed during the lean period which looms up ahead. New York has hopes, but that is about all, with Gov. Hughes sitting on the lid for the next two years.

Small Hope for Benning.

Promoters around Washington have jelled themselves all winter, and any number of "pipe dreams" as to racing have been fed to the gullible, but the odds seem to be against any resurrection of the sport with any degree of success.

Arkansas jumped in with a claim that the anti-race bill of that State would be repealed for the benefit of Hot Springs, but there seems to be little doing down in that neck of woods.

Further South they have succeeded in landing the bettors in jail, but the lawyers are now busy telling the promoters in Louisiana that before they get through with the Locke law they will be able to drive a coach and four through the measure. The "touts" seem to be the only ones who are taking any stock in the arguments.

Down in Texas they seem to overdo the thing, which has always been the case in the State. The anti-race law is being repealed, and reform bodies are sitting up and taking notice of the doings in San Antonio, El Paso, and other points, and so all along the line. Michigan has also taboed the "hookers."

Savannah pulled off its advertised meeting, but before it closed rumblings were heard, and it looks as if Georgia has entered the lists. From there